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Meetings

Earth Tides Symposium

The Ninth International Symposium on Earth Tides will be held in New York City on August 17-22. Sponsored by IAG, IUGG, and Columbia University, the symposium will include technical sessions on tidal analyses; ocean tides and tidal modeling; interaction of earth and ocean tides; absolute relative gravity; rotation of the earth and polar motion; crustal deformation; plate tectonics and earthquake-triggering mechanisms; and observations of tides and gravity. A tour of the Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory will be included in the week-long meeting.

For additional information and for registration materials, contact John T. Kuo, 828 S.W. Mudd, Columbia University, New York, NY 10027. \$

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT LUNAR AND PLANETARY INSTITUTE TOPICAL CONFERENCE Co-Sponsored by NASA and NSF PROCESSES OF PLANETARY RIFTING

December 3-5, 1981
Christian Brothers' Retreat House
Napa Valley, California

CONVENERS: B.H. Baker and P. Morgan SESSIONS PLANNED:

- 1) Speculations as to the origin and development of rifts
- 2) Constraints on rift evolution - setting
- 3) Constraints on rift evolution - geological development
- 4) Constraints on rift evolution - physics and chemistry of the lithosphere
- 5) Resources associated with rifting
- 6) Our state of ignorance and its remedy

Attendance will be limited to 60 participants. Send a letter of application with a brief, but specific outline of potential contributions to the meeting, including a provisional title if you plan to submit an abstract, to Rift Modeling Projects Office, Lunar and Planetary Institute, 3303 NASA Road 1, Houston, TX 77058, USA. Deadline for applications is May 29, 1981. Further information can be obtained from the above address, or phone (713) 486-2150.

Coastal Society Conference

A call for papers has been issued for the Coastal Society's 7th Annual Conference, entitled 'Achievements of the 70's, Prospects for the 80's.' The conference will be held in Galveston, Texas, October 11-14.

Topics included on the conference tentative agenda are future directions of coastal management; the potential effects of future technology and changes in public preferences; program implementation and evaluation; coastal management as an academic program; the push to streamline and reduce government regulation; energy facility siting and related impacts; coastal hazards; wetlands and estuary management; coastal access and recreation; ports and harbor development; and urban waterfronts. A poster session has also been scheduled.

The deadline for 250-word abstracts of prospective conference papers is June 1. Send the abstracts and requests for additional information to Niels West, Coastal Society Conference, Department of Geography and Marine Affairs, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI 02881. \$

Terrestrial Impacts and Evolution

The Lunar and Planetary Institute and the National Academy of Sciences will cosponsor a conference entitled 'Large Body Impacts and Terrestrial Evolution: Geological, Climatological, and Biological Implications.' The meeting is scheduled for October 19-22 in Snowbird, Utah. Leon T. Silver is the convener.

On the agenda are sessions on the nature and flux of near-Earth objects; physics of high-energy impacts; the biological record and evidence for catastrophic extinction; the search of the geological record for physical evidence of major impacts; and meteorological and climatological consequences of large-scale impacts.

Interested potential participants should send a brief description of their proposed contribution to Earth Impact Conference, Lunar and Planetary Institute, 3303 NASA Road 1, Houston, TX 77058, USA. Deadline for applications is May 29, 1981. Further information can be obtained from the above address, or phone (713) 486-2150.

News

Drought Conditions Continue

Drought conditions continue in many areas of the United States, with well-below-normal streamflows reported during April in parts of 42 states, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

USGS hydrologists said that half of the 166 key index stations reporting in April showed streamflow within the lowest 25% of record. New record low levels for the month were set in parts of Maine, New York, Virginia, North Carolina, Wyoming, and New Mexico. Deficient flows have been reported throughout portions of the Midwest and East since early last summer.

Also symptomatic of this national dry trend, combined flow of the nation's 'Big Five' rivers—Mississippi, St. Lawrence, Columbia, Ohio, and Missouri—averaged 716 billion gallons a day (bgd) during April, 37% below normal. Average flow of the Big Five has now been below normal for 5 of the last 6 months.

The Big Five, which represent stream runoff for more than half of the conterminous United States, provide a quick, useful check on the status of the nation's water resources. Highlights of the Big Five for April:

- Despite a 5% seasonal increase, combined runoff remains below normal. For example, despite an 81% increase in flow since March, flow of the Missouri River at Hermann, Mo., averaged 45% below normal for April.

- Individual flows for the Big Five for April: Mississippi River near Vicksburg, Miss., 282 bgd, 56% below normal and 14% below that of last month; St. Lawrence River near Massena, N.Y., 168 bgd, 4% above normal but 2% below the previous month; Ohio River at Louisville, Ky., 125 bgd, normal for this time of year and a 36% increase over the March runoff; Columbia River at The Dalles, Ore., 108 bgd, 26% below normal but 49% above March; and the Missouri River at Hermann, Mo., 34 bgd, 45% below normal but 81% above that of March. \$

STREAMFLOW DURING APRIL

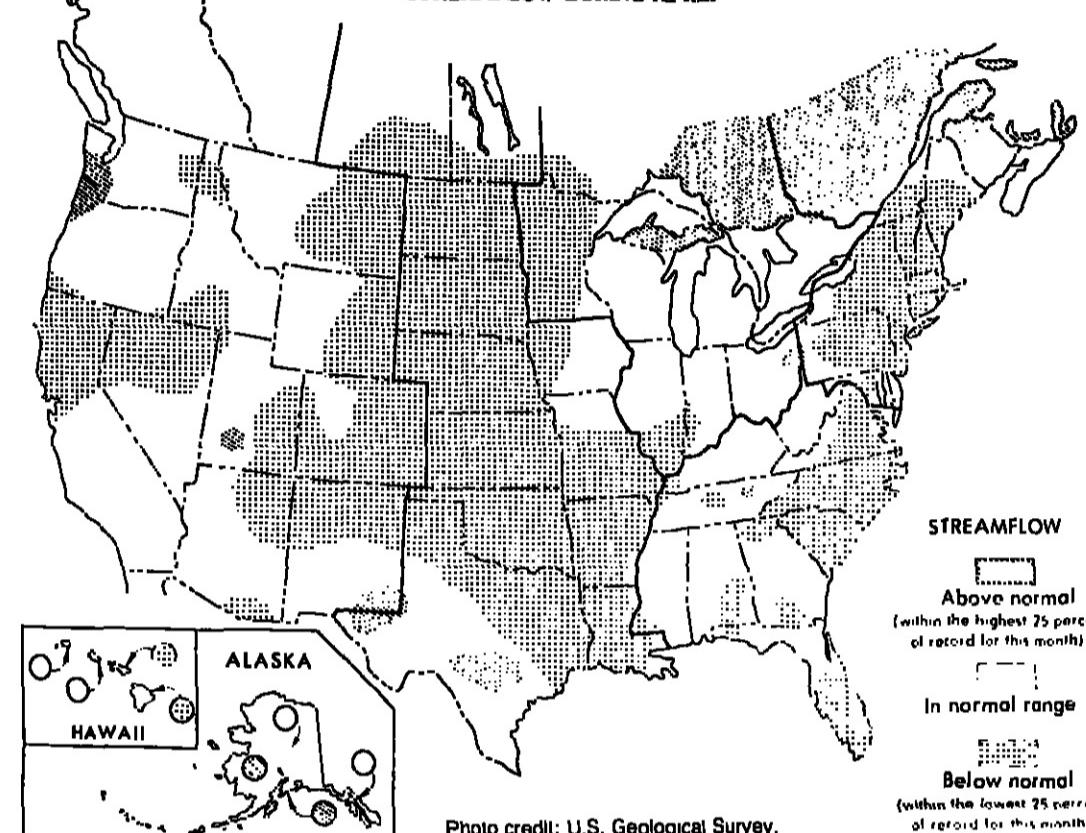


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Cover: The Cooperative Convective Precipitation Experiment (COPE), managed jointly by the National Center for Atmospheric Research and the National Water and Power Resources Service, will employ 14 aircraft, 8 large weather radars, 5 networks to probe the upper atmosphere, and a satellite-linked network of 100 automated ground stations to monitor the development of storms and thunderstorms and to measure mature storm clouds like this cumulonimbus. See news item on p. 498. (Photo courtesy of NCAR.)

Diamonds Found in Antarctic Meteorite

Tiny crystals of diamond have recently been found in a 10.4-kg iron meteorite collected from the Allan Hills region of the Antarctic ice cap in 1977. The discovery was reported in *Nature* by Roy S. Clarke, Jr., Daniel E. Appleman, and Daphne E. Ross, all of the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of Natural History. (The Antarctic Meteorite Program is a joint activity of the National Science Foundation, the Smithsonian Institution, and NASA. The specimens are preserved, described and distributed by NASA's Planetary Materials Laboratory at Johnson Space Center, Houston.)

This is only the second iron-type meteorite discovered to have diamonds within it. The other meteorite, the Canyon Diablo, which formed the mile-wide Meteor Crater in Arizona about 50,000 years ago, was much larger on impact. The diamonds within it are believed to have been produced as a result of the shock pressure of impact when it hit the earth. The Antarctic meteorite is much smaller and could not have produced a sufficient shock when it hit the earth—therefore, the diamonds must have been produced as a result of a collision in space.

The diamonds were found as invisible crystals in small carbon-rich fragments found inside the nickel-iron metal that makes up the meteorite. They were discovered when a saw, used to slice the meteorite, came up against one of the diamond-bearing inclusions and could not cut further. X-ray studies then established the presence of diamond together with two other forms of carbon: a rare mineral called lonsdaleite, chemically identical to diamond but a different crystal structure.

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Special Announcement

The Oceanography Report

The Oceanography Report will be a monthly section in EOS, beginning in August 1981. I will, as an EOS associate editor, oversee the report. The purpose of the Oceanography Report is to provide an information source and focal point for the very diverse oceanography community, both within and outside the AGU membership. Physical, chemical, geological, and biological oceanography are included within the report. While the Oceanography Report will be part of EOS, it is anticipated that by mid-1982 all oceanographic information within the pages of EOS will also be reformatted into a separate publication for distribution beyond AGU membership. This is particularly important in reaching the marine biologists, who ordinarily are not members of AGU. The Oceanography Report will attempt to meet the needs of oceanographers, who presently are not fully represented by any national professional society.

The following material will be included in the Oceanography Report:

- **Articles**—The authored articles present the research background and objectives of specific research projects or scientific aspects of oceanography. These articles should help bridge the gap between the various oceanographic research areas and should encourage interdisciplinary exchange by informing oceanographers as to what is happening in both their own and other branches of oceanography.

- **Announcements and News Items**—In this section, government agencies, science programs, and industry can present brief items of interest for a wide audience of oceanographers.

- **Special Information Articles**—This section allows an AGU reporter to present a discussion of broad range of items of concern in oceanography: problems of decreased graduate student enrollment; a review of all available newsletters, highlighting various agency or science program developments; or trends in funding for particular research.

- **Letters of Opinion**—Signed letters of opinion can be sent to the associate editor of the Oceanography Report for publication. The subject of these letters can range widely, from philosophical presentation of perceived research and educational or funding problems in oceanography to specific items of concern and/or personal reflections of the current status of the field. Humorous satirical commentary will also be considered.

Oceanography-related information in existing sections of EOS such as Book Reviews, News Publications, etc., can be held until the Oceanography Report issue appears. Advertisements can be placed in the Oceanography Report.

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ture than diamond, and graphite, the familiar form of carbon used in lead pencils.

The tiny amounts of diamond found by Clarke and his colleagues have no commercial value. The meteorite is probably a fragment of an asteroid, and since diamonds only form at high pressures, such as those existing deep within the earth, their presence suggests a great collision that probably took place in the asteroid belt many millions of years ago.

This news item was contributed by Bevan French, NASA Planetary Materials Scientist.

Scientists CCOPE With Storms

The sun gently rises its way above the horizon in southeastern Montana with the seeming promise of a carefree, sunny day. But that promise won't hold true for 200 scientists readying themselves for another frenetic day in the largest field research experiment on storms and thunderstorms.

Fieldwork for the 4-month project dubbed CCOPE (Cooperative Convective Precipitation Experiment) began this week near Miles City, Mont. CCOPE's principal objective is to measure storm development in detail to learn precisely how rain and hail are produced, with the eventual harvest being timely warnings for severe storms and accurate precipitation predictions. This knowledge will aid in the planning of water supply strategies.

"Over the past three decades we have learned much about the physical processes that lead to rainfall, as well as hail and tornadoes," said Wilmot N. Hoss, director of the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR). "But we have yet to put the pieces together convincingly. As a result, we don't yet sufficiently understand why some storms produce only scattered or gentle rain and some cloud-bursts, hail and high winds."

Putting the pieces together is, at best, a complex jigsaw puzzle, requiring for its solution \$8 million, a total of 6 years for planning and data analysis, and the help of 29 institutions, including several in Canada, Italy, and England.

Even so, cloudless days can give birth to storms, so observations to determine what influences the growth and severity of storms begin early in the day, according to NCAR. During this period, when solar heating of the air near the ground begins and the sky is cloudless, or nearly so, several pairs of Doppler radars with their dish-shaped antennae simultaneously map air motions in the clear air. During a thunderstorm, which can be more than 10 miles in height, breadth, and width, as many as 10 of CCOPE's fleet of 14 airplanes fly simultaneously in and around the storm. Eight radars measure water concentrations and motions within the storm, while weather balloons, launched from five sites, take atmospheric measurements. Aircraft and radars are directed by project managers in the central control room that monitors incoming data.

The data gathered will be used to research:

- how ice crystals and hailstones form;
- the effects of air outside a cloud mixing with air inside a cloud;
- composition changes of ice and water particles in clouds;
- atmospheric chemistry;
- storm airflow, including updrafts, downdrafts, wind speed, and direction;



Thunderstorms and rain showers are crucial to summer water supplies in most of the United States. As a part of the largest field experiment on precipitation, scientists will study the effects of electrical charges in the atmosphere on rainfall (Photo courtesy of NCAR).

• electrical charges in the atmosphere that can influence rainfall; and

• the amount of water processed by a cloud as compared to the amount of water that reaches the ground.

NCAR scientists expect the data analysis to require 2 to 4 years.

Although the project is centered at HIPLEX, High Plains Cooperative Program in cloud seeding research, CCOPE will involve no cloud seeding itself. However, CCOPE is an important step in improving prediction of severe growing-season storms and in assessing and realizing the full potential of cloud seeding, Hess added.

The experiment, run by NCAR, is funded by the National Science Foundation, through the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research, and by the Interior Department's Water and Power Resources Service. Also involved are the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the state of Montana. NSF also contributes support to CCOPE through research grants to universities. Patrick Squires at NCAR and Bernard Silverman at Water and Power are co-directors of CCOPE.—BTR

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New Publications

The Seaward Margin of Belize Barrier and Atoll Reefs

Noel P. James and Robert N. Ginsburg, John Wiley, New York, xi + 191 pp., 1979. \$22.95.

Reviewed by Gerald M. Friedman

Any publication on carbonate rocks will be in demand today; after all, more than half of all recoverable oil and gas reserves occur in carbonate rocks. Models for interpreting these rocks in the rock record, especially carbonate platforms and reef complexes which contain such reserves, must be based on a thorough study of modern analogues. Only in a modern setting are the processes of sedimentation resulting in carbonate sequences amenable to scientific scrutiny and analysis.

This book is a pioneering document on shelf-edge sedimentation in a modern reef complex. Its model is the fore-reef zone of the barrier and atoll reefs of Belize in Middle America, a study based on direct observations and sample collections from a submersible; seismic profiling and examination of piston cores complement and supplement this study, but it is the direct observations and in situ sample collection at water depth down to more than 300 m below sea level which make this study unique. Observations and sample collections on dives have provided detailed new data on different kinds and ranges of carbonates-secreting organisms, morphology of the fore-reef zone, and the distribution of sedimentary particles and cements along the reef front.

In eight chapters, James and Ginsburg trace their model from an initial description of the geologic setting of the Belize reefs to the geophysical anatomy and morphology of the continental margin and the sediments and organisms of the barrier reef and fore-reef, to composition and age rela-

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Items listed in New Publications can be ordered directly from the publisher; they are not available through AGU.

Antennas In Matter: Fundamentals, Theory, and Applications. R. W. P. King and G. S. Smith, MIT Press, Cambridge, Mass., xvi + 868 pp., 1981. \$75.00.

Manual of Photogrammetry, 4th ed. C. C. Stans (Ed.), American Society of Photogrammetry, Falls Church, Va., xv + 1058 pp., 1981. \$59.95.

Proceedings of the International Conference on Engineering for Protection from Natural Disasters. P. Karabulut, A. S. Balasubramanian, W. Kanck-Nukulchel (Eds.), John Wiley, New York, xi + 937 pp., 1981. \$101.00.

Remote Sensing of Atmospheres and Oceans, A Deep Look. Academic, New York, xiv + 641 pp., 1980. \$45.00.

(Ed.), Academic, New York, xiv + 641 pp., 1980. \$45.00.

Studies in East Asian Tectonics and Resources. Joint CCOP-IOC Working Group on SEATAR, CCOP, Bangkok, Thailand, viii + 257 pp., 1980. (Available from CCOP, Bangkok, Thailand.)

Surficial Geology: Building with the Earth. J. E. Costa and V. R. Baker, John Wiley, New York, ix + 498 pp., 1981. \$24.95.

The Geophysical Directory 1981. The Geophysical Directory, Inc. Houston, Texas, 584 pp., 1981. \$15.00.

The Hurricane and Its Impact. R. H. Simpson and Louisana State University Press, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, xxvii + 398 pp., 1981.

The Ore Minerals and Their Intergrowths, 2nd ed. and 2, P. Ramdohr, Pergamon, New York, xxvi + 1980. \$200.00.

The Upper Atmosphere and Solar-Terrestrial Relations. Introduction to the Aerospace Environment, J. K. Hargreaves, Van Nostrand Reinhold, New York, xii + 1979. \$30.50.

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Research Position in Chemical Oceanography, California Institute of Technology, Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences. The position of research fellow is being offered at Caltech for research in oceanography. Investigation of the isotopic composition of neodymium and rare earth abundances in sea water and sediments is now being carried forward. The mechanism of injection of REE into sea water will be studied. The differences in $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ in various water masses (Pellegrini et al., Earth and Planets Sci. Lett., 45, 233-236 and Pellegrini and Wasserman, Earth and Planets Sci. Lett., 50, 138-148) is now being carried forward as an exploratory venture in order to determine the origin and chemical behavior of REE in the ocean and the potential use of $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ as a tracer. The laboratory facilities for sample preparation and analysis are fully functional and will be available. Applicants should have training in oceanography and a good perspective on general physical oceanographic models.

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Send resume and three letters of reference to Director, Division of Geosciences, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska 99771. Applications will be accepted until June 30, 1981, or until filled.

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Postdoctoral Research Associate Positions, The Johns Hopkins University, Applied Physics Laboratory. Positions are available for studies of magnetospheric-ionospheric coupling, electromagnetic waves, and plasma instabilities in the ionosphere and magnetosphere.

The selected candidates will participate in the analysis and interpretation of data from spacecraft and ground-based radars as well as in the development and implementation of new ground-based and spacecraft radars. Positions are for one year and are renewable. Tenure may begin at any time through September 1, 1981. Applications should be addressed to Mr. Steven F. Sayre, Dept. ADI-15, The Johns Hopkins University, Applied Physics Laboratory, Johns Hopkins Road, Laurel, MD 20723.

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The preferred starting date is January 1, 1982, but candidates who cannot start until July 1, 1982, will be considered.

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Sedimentology. Research associate position anticipated (September 1, 1981), telemetry monitoring project in Virginia. Problems focus on oceanic and neotectonics in the state. Prefer M.S. geophysicist with thesis in observational sedimentology. No others considered. Applications, transcripts and two letters of recommendation to Dr. G. A. Bollinger, Sedimentological Observatory, VPI&SU, Blacksburg, Virginia 24061. Deadline for receipt of applications is August 1, 1981.

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University of Leeds/Isotope Geochronist. Applications are invited for a temporary appointment for a fixed term of up to two years as postdoctoral research fellow in the Department of Earth Sciences, from a date to be arranged, to work on a project in isotope geochemistry and geochronology, funded by the Natural Environment Research Council, UK.

Preferred special interests and experience are expected in radiogenic isotope geochemistry applied to petrogenetic studies and/or mantle evolution. Current isotope research includes investigations into specific intra-plate and island-arc volcanic provinces, mantle nodules, Precambrian geochronology, thermal evolution of metamorphic belts, and sea-water sediment interaction.

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Research Fellow/Sedimentary Geochemistry. The Australian National University invites applications for appointment as research fellow in sedimentary geochemistry, Research School of Earth Sciences. The School has a well equipped trace element laboratory, including an MSV Spark Source Mass Spectrometer, with access to electron microprobe and XRD facilities.

The successful applicant should hold a Ph.D. degree and have a good background in geology, geochemistry, analytical chemistry, sedimentology and Pre-Cambrian geology and should have experience in the use of the above analytical techniques.

He or she will be expected to participate in joint research projects dealing with the use of trace element geochemistry in elucidating the composition and evolution of the Earth's crust through studies of sedimentary rock sequences.

In addition, applicants are invited to submit research proposals detailing the general research directions and specific projects which they would wish to pursue. Further information concerning the position can be obtained directly from Dr. S.R. Taylor.

Applicants should submit a detailed curriculum vitae, a publications list and the names and addresses of three referees.

Appointment as research fellow will be up to three years in the first instance with the possibility of extension to five years. Salary range: \$A19,132 and \$A24,972 per annum (\$A1 - \$US1.14). Superannuation, housing assistance, reasonable appointment costs.

The University reserves the right not to make an appointment or to make an appointment by invitation at any time.

Applications should be sent to The Registrar, The Australian National University, PO Box 4, CANBERRA, ACT 2600, AUSTRALIA by 3 AUGUST 1981.

SERVICES

Scraps Remote Sensing Tutorials.

IA Overview of the Remote Sensing Facility—This one-day seminar describes the data bases, sources and processing capabilities available at Scraps Institution of Oceanography, Remote Sensing Facility. A morning lecture will introduce past, current and future space platforms available for observation of the oceans. A brief discussion of where and how to access the information will conclude the first part of the class.

The afternoon will include a demonstration of processing and displaying imagery obtained from TIROS-N, NOAA-6 and Nimbus-7.

Classes will be held at the Helen Reit Hall Room SIO Library on Monday, April 30, 1981 and Monday, July 27, 1981, at 8:30 am. A non-refundable fee of \$50.00 must be submitted with the application. Enrollment limit—12.

2A. Users Introduction to the Scraps Remote Sensing Facility—This four-day workshop is intended

exclusively for individuals who will be using the facility at Scripps. Two morning lectures will describe in detail the hardware, software and personnel resources available to oceanographers. Existing data bases, their characteristics, location, mode and cost of access will be covered. Basics of image processing will be introduced along with In-depth look at the Interactive Digital Image Manipulation System used at the SIO.

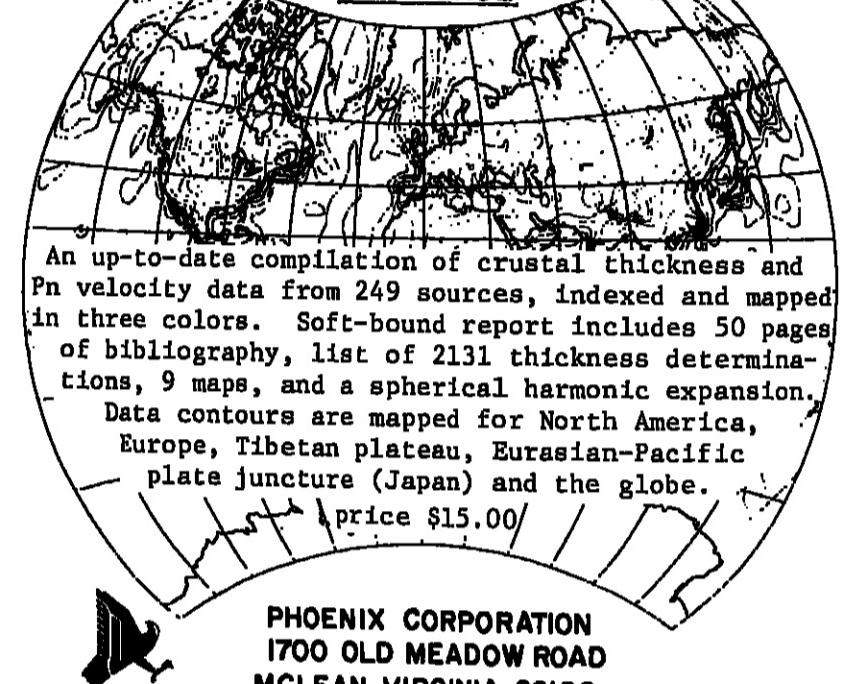
The two lectures will be followed by afternoon lab sessions which consist of hands-on exercises to familiarize users with the hardware/software at this facility. The third morning will be devoted to train users in real-time spacecraft tracking and data recording and acquisition.

The remainder of the 3rd day and the entire 4th day will be used to work with users on a one-to-one basis. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own digital tapes with data of interest to them, which can be used during the last portion of the workshop.

Classes will be held in the Helen Reit Hall Room SIO Library starting on Tuesday, April 21, 1981 and Tuesday, July 27, 1981 at 8:30 am. A fee of \$325.00 must be submitted with each application. Enrollment limit—8.

For more information regarding applications, fees, etc., please contact University of California at San Diego, SIPS/SDIO, Mail Code A-030, La Jolla, California 92093 or (714) 452-2282.

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STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Graduate Students Research Assistantships, St. Louis University, Palaeomagnetic Laboratory. Two positions open for palaeomagnetic research work conducted under NSF sponsorship. The positions are for one year and are renewable. The candidates are expected to apply simultaneously for admission to graduate school to pursue studies leading to a MS and/or Ph.D. degree in geophysics. For more information, contact Dr. S.A. Vincent, Department of Earth & Atmospheric Sciences, St. Louis University, P.O. Box 8099-Laclede St., St. Louis, MO 63158, Telephone (314) 658-3128 and simultaneously, Dean of Graduate School, St. Louis University, 221 N. Grand Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63103.

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